Public Affairs & Strategic Communications Alaska Region



Director

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- **Leading** a diverse team of creative, innovative, and forward thinking communication experts who collaborate to produce exemplary results.
- **Achieving** a coherent Regional strategic approach, by building and sustaining a regional brand.
- **Anticipating** major issues in advance, and where possible, successfully resolves situations (using strategy and proactive communication) before they become issues.
- **Coordinating** aligned, mutually supporting communication by Regional Leadership Team and employees across the Region.
- Building trust and facilitating joint communication of successes.
- Making creative use of new communications techniques to reach diverse communities.
- **Directing** the significant increase in support for and understanding of Forest Service mission and programs.

Administrative



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- Support the PAO team in order to accomplish critical, strategic communication outcomes.
- Manage and monitor the update and use of critical communication management tools, to include project management matrix, content calendar and stakeholder inquiry logs.
- Advise staff on appropriate and accurate application of standard operating procedures for personnel files, correspondence database, purchasing, travel, property management, and records keeping.
- Provide additional administrative support to Tribal, Civil Rights and Safety.

Legislative and Congressional Affairs



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- Advise on all legislative matters and provide support on intergovernmentalrelated topics.
- Respond to congressional inquiries in a timely manner and analyze topic trends.
- Strategize on FS program, project and policy issues and recommend appropriate legislative and congressional communication plans.
- Develop strategy for outreach to congressional and other elected officials.
- Analyze and track legislation, providing updates and analysis.
- Develop briefing materials for annual budget hearings and other key congressional-related topics.

Public and Media Relations



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- Advise on all potential media interest and impacts.
- Respond to media inquiries and analyze topic trends.
 Stratogiza on ES program, project
- **Strategize** on FS program, project and policy issues and recommend appropriate communication efforts.
- Develop strategy for special projects, special events, VIP visits and tours.
- Provide communication support in the form of interview staffing, writing, editing, development of key messages, social media (twitter) and web content, presentations, publication design, and legislative affairs.

Internal Communications



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- Empower FS Employees through internal communication strategies and programs.
 Promote FS program and employee
- accomplishments using variety of communication platforms.Educate internal audiences on FS
- Educate Internal audiences on FS projects; new and status updates.
- **Support** senior leadership communication requirements.
- Provide communication support in the form of writing, editing, proofreading, publication layout and design, event planning, photography, and videography.

Digital Communications



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 Promote an online presence for the FS; internal and external.

• Analyze web, portal, SharePoint and

- document management usage.

 Ensure availability of accessible
- Ensure availability of accessible online, digital content, support and training.
- Design FS websites, SharePoint, portals, and other digital communication platforms.
- Provide communication support in the form of video editing, web cam usage, digital content development and online metrics and measurement.

Visual Information and Publications



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Visual Information/ Printing Specialist

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- Advise on all printing and publication requirements, including contracting and budgets.
- Design publication layouts, for large and small brochures, annual reports, fliers, fact sheets, and trifolds.
- **Ensure** availability of accessible online, digital content, support and training.
- Strategize on projects requiring visual information support and recommend appropriate product or platform.
- **Provide** communication support in the form of media analysis, web development and content, writing, and editing.